"Here," said a man of mature years, "was an experience that I fancy others have had. You know we don't realize the change in our own appearance as the years go by. We feel young, all right, and imagine that we look so, and never realize that we don't. But coming down from an upper story of a tall building in an elevator the other day and thinking of something else I happened to see a face in a mirror in the side of the car.

"It had a curious interest for me somehow. It was the face of a man of middle age, tolerably well preserved, but with hair pretty gray and with marks at the outer corners of his eyes showing where the crow had stepped on him-lightly, to be sure, but the marks of crow's feet nevertheless, the thing about it was its striking resemstartling, but a moment later, when as own head reproduced with a corresponding movement by the head in the mirror, I realized that what I saw was indeed a reflection of my own face, and that for a moment I had seen myself as

the glass there. And did I see any mid- and, after gazing about a minute, stepdle aged folks now? Not by a jugful! I ped up to a salesman and made known saw the man I wanted to see. A little his wish to buy a shirt. A couple of gray perhaps? Yes, a little gray. Crow's samples were shown him, and he infeet? Yes, if you want to call 'em so. formed the salesman that either one I'm no spring chicken. I don't set out 'would do. to be that-that is, not this spring'sbut I'm a young man still for all that,

DENS OF HORROR.

The Prisons of Morocco Are Hotbeds of Dendly Disease.

prisoners are worse in Morocco than in any other country in the world.

spite some one whom they have been so unfortunate as to offend and who possesses some power-and flung into prison, where they would be left to starve did food, for no arrangements whatever are made by the authorities for the feeding man of resources. Good day."-Philaof prisoners. All that is provided is a prison, generally crowded with prisoners dying in the most loathsome and infections diseases, dark and unventilated. and custodians who are quite as brutal and savage as the prison system itself.

Prisoners are cast into these hotbeds of disease, generally without the most

Not long ago a merchant who had plied to a friend of one of the court offi- to his inquiry. cials was cast into prison without trial, rolled down a high steep hill. The bar- everything," said John. rel eventually plunged into the sea with "Cut it short," replied the clerk. its torn and mangled cargo. Imprison-

Naval Heroes In the Abbey.

The well known saying, "Westminster abbey or glorious victory." attributed to Nelson when he boarded the San Josef at the battle of Cape Vincent, seems to point to the hero's own wishes as to an abbey grave. But for some unknown reason, when the end came at the tamous battle at Trafalgar (1805), Nelson was buried at St. Paul's, and the abbey authorities, finding crowds going there to gaze on his last | will slide far from the man's esteem. resting place, had an effigy made of him and set it up near Kempenfelt's fessor of the Royal academy, was invitmonument, in order to attract people ed by a nobleman to see a painting of back to Westminster, with the desired result.

The figure now stands in the Islip Chantry chapel with the other funeral effigies, and is a very lifelike and good representation of the great man. It is said to have been copied from a smaller figure for which Nelson sat, in all the clothes except the coat he actually were. Maclise, who borrowed the hat for his nicture of the "Death of Nelson," found the marks of the eye patch on the inner lining and the stamp of the period in the crown. - Pall Mall Magazine.

Explaining It.

"Now," said the physician who was tron. Youth's Companion examining an applicant for life insurance, "I shall have to ascertain your chest expansion.

"My what?" asked the applicant. "Your chest expansion.

"He means," interposed a friend who had come in with him, "the difference snapped an unloaded pistol at his sweetbetween what you measure when your | heart, andchest isn't inflated and what you measnre when it is inflated."

"Oh," said the applicant, beginning dimly to understand. "Ten years ago I part comes in. The weapon failed to go measured around here"-indicating his rotund stomach-"only 32 inches. I measure 48 now. 1 guess what you call my chest expansion is 16 inches."-Youth's Companion.

The Absent Dodge.

become a Christian Scientist and is successfully giving the absent treat-

Wuzzy-I guess that's so. He borrowed \$50 from me a month ago, and whenever I call to ask for it he's out .-New York Tribune.

By Another Name.

Dakota Woman-I know I can never stand it, doctor, to have that tooth pulled.

Dentist-I can divorce you from that tooth, madam, in five seconds.

-Chicago Tribune.

Dakota Woman-Oh, well, go ahead!

noted by the actuaries the following are a few of the most interesting. Women have a much better prospect of long life than men, and the chances of married people are distinctly higher than those of bachelors and old maids.

From the data provided by the records of various churches it has been deduced that the peaceful Quakers have most frequently received the blessings of long life promised in the fifth commandment, while the death rate is remarkably high among Methodist clergymen. Annuitants as a class live from three to five years longer than other people, and this is not due to human perversity, as some humorists have suggested. It is undoubtedly due to the lack of worry regarding the changes of fortune when a regular income is a certainty.

Although no statistics have been colface of a man of years. But, old and lected on the death rate in the civil gray, the most curious and fascinating service, where the yearly income almost partakes of the character of an annuity, blance to my own. This was almost it would perhaps be found that there is some scientific basis for President I looked at it I saw a slight turn of my | Grant's cynical observation regarding this class. 'Few die and none resign. -Ainsice's Magazine.

A Man of Resource. A big, uncouth looking stranger, with shoulders like a Hercules, walked into a "But when I got home I looked in department store late one afternoon,

It was an article that sold for \$1.50, and in making payment the stranger and I'm going to remain so for many pulled from his hip pocket a huge roll years to come despite what the mirror of bills. He apparently skimmed them in the elevator said."-New York Sun. over in search of a small bill, but he could not find one of less denomination than \$500. One of these was handed the surprised salesman, but he arose to the occasion and sent it away with the cashboy. When the change came, it The prison system and treatment of was nearly all in small bills. The stranger interrupted the salesman in his work of counting the bills by reaching Men are arrested-often merely to for the pile and wadding it into his hip pocket.

"Oh, I guess it's all right, and you give that shirt to a porter if you can find one big enough to wear it. All I not their relatives or friends bring them wanted was the change. You see, it was after banking hours, and I am a delphia Record.

Multum In Parvo.

"John," said the old man to his son, "I will give you £100 to go away with. Maybe, as you don't like my business, you will find a better one.

Three weeks later the young man farcical pretense of a trial, to die and landed in New York. A month later, rot if their crimes are light or their finding but £3 in his possession, he deenemies impotent. Otherwise they are termined to return home again. It was probably tortured in some way or an- best to let his father know beforehand, other. Starving merely is too good for but how? A letter would be too slow, them in the opinion of the authorities. so off went John to the telegraph office. "A quarter (one shilling) a word to dared to claim payment for goods sup- London, sir." answeree the polite clerk

"I want to tell my father I've spent and after suffering torments in the all my money, and I'm sorry, and I'm midst of a mass of diseased humanity coming home and want him to forgive for months was taken out, shoved into me and a lot of other things, and I can a barrel fitted with long spikes and only pay for six words to tell him

John sat down and thought. Soon ment, torture and death for daring to after, to his immense astonishment, the present his bill! - Cincinnati Enquirer, old man received the following cable-SEPARTER

-Chicago Journal.

A Critic's Evasion.

It is risky to give one's honest opinion about a man's horse or dog, a house designed by himself or a picture which he values highly. He who gives the opinion stands on a slippery piace, and should the judgment be unfavorable he

Fuseli, the eccentric artist and prowhich he was the proud owner. Fuseli went, taking a pupil with him. The painting was shown by the nobleman himself. The artist examined it and exclaimed. "Extraordinary!" The nobleman, greatly pleased at the ejaculation. lauded the picture to the skies, pointed out its beauties, and Fuseli cried "Extraordinary! Extraordinary!

On their way home the pupil said:
"Mr. Fuseli. I don't think much of that picture. What did you mean by 'extraordinary?'

"Extraordinarily bad," was the reply of the artist, who had not cared to offend a lord who might become a pa-

The Exception to the Rule. Halsted-Queer thing happened over on the west side last night

Wabash-What was it? Halsted-A young man playfully

Wabash-And the funeral takes place tomorrow, of course? Halsted—No: that's where the queer

A Remarkable Letter.

off. - Chicago News.

A young lady of very extraordinary capacity lately addressed the following letter to her cousin: "We is all well, and mother's got his Terrix, brother Fuzzy-They say that Faddist has | Tom is got the Hupin Kaugh, and sister Ann has got a babee, and I hope these few lines will find you the same. Rite sune. Your aphectionate kuzzen."-London Fun.

> A dutiful German son advertises in the Leipsic Tageblatt: "Marriage-I seek for my father, a strictly respectable man with a quiet business, an elderly, solitary widow or maiden with some property in cash. Address, with a statement of conditions. --

The Hindoos were the first to use playing cards, though they were used in China as early as 1120 A. D.

Among the many curious things of the most interesting. We be a few of the most interesting. We

Program for the Four Days' Session of That Body Next Week.

The Grand Encampment, Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly I. O. O. F. of the Indian Territory will meet here next week. The program arranged is as follows-



Monday, April 10.

Meeting and instituting of Grand Encampment I. O. O. F. in I. O. O. F. Hall, at 10 a. m., by D. D. G. S. Wm. Noble, of South McAlester.

Tuesday, April 11.

FORENOON.

Rebekah Assembly meets in I. O. O. F. Hall at 9 a. m. Mrs. Julia Schueler, Grand President. Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. meets in Masonic Hall at 9 a. m. N. G. Turk, Grand Master.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Parade of all Odd Fellows, headed by Ardmore Brass Band, forms at I. O. O. F. Hall at 1:30 p. m., marching through principal streets. and ends at Opera House, where the following interesting program will be presented:

Prayer by Grand Chaplain G. W. Mowbray. Address of Welcome-Hon. H. M. Furman.

Freedom of City-Hon. John L. Galt, Mayor. Rebekah Odd Fellowship-Grand President

Julia Schueler. Subordinates—Hon. Chilion Riley.

Encampments-Hon. J. S. Arnote.

Genius of Odd Fellowship-W. L. Blanton, Grand Representative of Texas.

Orator of Day. Hon. Stillwell H. Russell, Past Grand Representative, Dallas, Texas.

Response and Closing Exercises-Hon. N. G. Turk, Grand Master.

NIGHT.

Exemplification of Rebekah degree by Ardmore Rebekah Lodge No. 20, in Masonic Hall at 8 p. m., after which ice cream and cake will be served to al. Odd Fellows and their wives in Masonic Banquet Hall.

Wednesday, April 12.

Entire day devoted to work; Rebekahs in I. O. O. F. Hall, Grand Lodge in Masonic Hall.

Encampment degrees conferred in I. O. O. F. Hall: Patriarchs Militant in Masonic Hall by special dispensations.

Thursday, April 13.

Entire day devoted to work.

NIGHT.

Closing exercises and installation of new offic-

Music for all occasions will be furnished by the children of Bro. and Sister B. Lowenstein.

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A Welcome.

All visiting Odd Fellows, while in attendance upon the Grand Encampment and Rebekah Assembly, are cordially invited to make the ARD-MOREITE office headquarters while in the city. Desk room and stationery will be furniseed those who desire to do any writing, and you will be made to feel at home.

You are also requested to register at this office. Yours in F., L. and T.,

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For Education,

The following dates are announced for the appearance of Rev. J. S. Murrow and Rev. J. H. Scott at points in the Chickasaw nation. These gentlemen are working in the interest of education, and are in every way qualified to interest and impress their hearers:

Duncan-Friday night, April 7th. Chickasha-Saturday and Sunday, April 8th and 9th.

Purcell-Monday night, April 10th Pauls, Valley - Tuesday night,

April 11th. CHICAGO Wynnewood - Wednesday night,

April 12th. Davis-Thursday night, April 13th. Ardmore-Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 14th, 15th, and 16th.

The Territorial mission board will meet at Ardmore on Friday, the 14th,

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year: Grady at Center Point Apr. 1,2 Springer at Woodford 8,9 .. 15,16 Dixie at Abarr Lone Grove at Hewett 22,23 Ardmore, Carter Av. station "

District Conference will meet in Carter Avenue Church, Ardmore, at 9 a.m. Apr. 28. Opening sermon by Rev. W. H. Averyt at 7:30 p, m. Apr. 27. C. F. ROBERTS, P. E.

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